IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Fumiharu NAKAYAMA

Title: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Appl. No.: 10/805,307

Appl. Filing Date: 3/22/2004

Examiner: Lennin R. Rodriguez

Art Unit: 2625

Confirmation No.: 9166

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

a. Previously submitted:

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

[]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on
[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not
	considered.

[]		Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on
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b.	Enc	losed are:
[X	[]	Amendment and Reply Accompanying RCE.
[]		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]		Information Disclosure Statement.
[]		Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		ra Claims sent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	19	-	20	=	0	X	\$52.00	==	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	3	=	0	x	\$220.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	f any	Multiple I	Depender	nt Claims:	+	\$390.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	E TOTAL:	=	\$810.00

^[] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$130.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]
\$0.00	\$490.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[]
\$0.00	\$1,110.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]
\$0.00	\$1,730.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]
\$0.00	\$2,350.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]
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\$810.00	E TOTAL:	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FE	
\$0.00	of above):	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract 1/2	[]
\$0.00	§ 1.103(c)	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R.	[]
\$810.00	TAL FEE:	TO	

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$810.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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